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Office of the Attorney General 40 Capitol Square, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Re: Open Records Act Request

To the Open Records Officer:

Pursuant to the Georgia Open Records Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-18-70 et seq.), I write to request a copy of the following public records from the Office of the Attorney General:

1) All policies, rules, briefing statements, or written guidance (collectively, "agency materials") related to Department of Law employees communicating with the news media.

The requested agency materials include, without limitation, any agency document that references:

- employee responses to media inquiries including requests for interviews or information;
- employees speaking or corresponding with the media;
- employees giving statements, commenting, or releasing facts to the media; and
- all policies specifically referencing "journalist(s)," "reporter(s)," the "press," or the "media."

As the Open Records Act (the "Act") requires, please let me know if the search, copying, and retrieval fees are estimated to exceed \$25.

If any of the documents requested exist in electronic format, I request that they be provided in electronic form, in accordance with the Act.

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If this records request is denied, in whole or in part, please provide me with the section of the Act on which the denial or redaction is based. In cases where a portion of the document(s) is exempt, please redact that portion and release the remainder.

I look forward to your response no later than three working days from today.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need clarification to fulfill your request or can suggest an easier way for me to get the information I am requesting.

In the interest of timeliness, and in light of current circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic, I ask that you do not attempt to contact me by postal mail or office phone. The best way to reach me is by email: taran.harmonwalker@uga.edu. If the requested documents can be sent via email to this same email address, that would be appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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